

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Jay S. Walker et al.  
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ALTERNATIVE PAYOUT FEATURES  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

A Final Office Action was issued on April 28, 2009, and a Combined Notice of Appeal and Petition for two-month extension of time was filed on September 28, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith. Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified patent application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.